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Sir:

This is a petition under 37 CFR 1.131 to correct the filing date. The status of this application is that the Notice of Allowance issued on June 30, 2004.

All of the papers issued by the Patent Office indicated that the filing date of this application is July 28, 2003. This is incorrect. The correct filing date is August 26, 2003.

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Applicant filed a thirteen page request for correction of the filing date dated December 30, 2003. Attached hereto is a copy thereof.

Counsel was unable to locate the Express Mail label pertaining to filing of this application under 37 CFR 1.10. A copy of the Express Mail receipt was requested from the local U.S. Post Office in New York City from which the application was mailed. We were informed by the U.S. Post Office that such Express Mail labels are not retained for more than six months. However, the U.S. Post Office gave us a "Track & Confirm" document (enclosed herewith) which indicates the time, date and location and the name of the Patent Office employee who signed for the Express Mail receipt.

It is respectfully submitted that the enclosure establishes that the correct filing date is August 26, 2003.

It is further respectfully requested that the Patent Office check and review its own records which we are certain will confirm that the correct filing date is August 26, 2004.

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In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Patent Office corrects its records to shown the correct filing date of August 26, 2003 and that applicant be advised that such correction has been made before the patent issues, bearing in mind that the Notice of Allowance issued on July 30, 2004 and the issue fee is required to be paid by September 30, 2004.

It is believed that there is no charge for filing this petition. However, if there is, please charge Deposit Account 10-1250.

Respectfully submitted,

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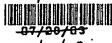
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